

There were 150 European and 1779 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Museum during the week ending May 3.

Mr. E. H. Sharp, barrister, has joined Mr. W. V. Drummond, of Shanghai, whose practice will in future be carried on under the joint name of Drummond and Sharp.

We believe information has been received of the death of Mr. G. J. Phillips, barrister, on the voyage from Yokohama to San Francisco.

His Excellency Wong, the new Governor of Yunnan, was a passenger by the steamer *Fushan* from Shanghai yesterday. He is on his way to take up his new appointment and leaves for Canton.

Vessels at the docks.—At Kowloon—*Asamori*, *Taihow*, *Ocampo*, *Wingang*, *Mascotto*, *Olympia*.

Commodore—*Exo*, *Wandering Jew*, *Alcedon*—(none.)

It is interesting to note the continued improvement in local Chinese gardening and the better class of vegetables and fruits which can be purchased in our local markets. We think it worth noting that strawberries were to-day on sale, and have good reasons for believing they were locally grown by a Chinese gardener.

This leader of a gang of armed desperadoes was sentenced at Shanghai the other day to a month's imprisonment and a flogging of 400 strokes. Several as this punishment is compared with the treatment of Kwangtung ruffians in Hongkong, one of the English journals comments on the leniency of the Magistrate.

Yesterday three Asiatic Artillerymen seriously assaulted a Chinese boy by kicking him at Kowloon City. As there was likely to be some trouble with the people, the Mandarin secured the men. To-day Captain Lethbridge and Inspector Quincey went over to Kowloon to endeavour to get the matter satisfactorily settled.

At the Magistracy to-day Albert Harrasowitz, Captain of the *Hohenzollern*, and Max Radulph, doctor on the same vessel, were charged with unlawfully entering the field works or fortifications at Stonecutter's Island without a written order from the Officer commanding Her Majesty's regular forces, on Saturday. The case was retained until to-morrow at twelve o'clock.

At the Magistracy to-day Commander Hastings heard a charge of theft against a houseboy who was in the employment of Captain Welman of the Commissariat Department. The boy was charged with stealing in one instance \$14.77 and in the other \$13.40. One of the thefts was committed by means of forgery. The money had been paid him by Captain Welman to pay the compositor, and the boy appropriated the money to his own use. In one of the cases he forged the compositor's note and signature, in order to present the account to his master. Commander Hastings committed him for trial at the Original Sessions on two counts.

Information was received by wire on Saturday that the German steamer *Ingard* had stranded either on or outside the bar at Taku Harbour. We learn, on inquiry at the Agents (Messrs. Wieler and Company), that the vessel had been lying off the bar waiting for high water, and in the meantime a storm arose which drove her on to the bar. It is expected that very little damage has been sustained, and that after part of the cargo has been removed she will easily come off. An inspection will of course be made. Advice from other sources state that the hopes of getting the vessel off are not very bright.

On Saturday night, an hour or two prior to his exploits with the armed band at Wanchai, Constable Hoggarth met a Chinaman carrying a sword in Ship Street. The man said he was a priest, and had been using the sword to slay "the plague fiend" who has been rampant in the Wanchai District for several weeks. Constable Hoggarth very properly refused to be appressed with the priest's story, and was conducting his prisoner to No. 2 Police Station when another Chinaman interfered, and showed a disposition to prevent the Constable from carrying out his duty. Both men were arrested and taken before Captain Hastings at the Magistracy this morning. The priest was fined \$50; his officious friend will be safe from epidemics for the next four weeks in Victoria Gaol.

The Shah of Persia, whose assassination is announced by Reuters, was born on April 4, 1829, and ascended the throne on Sept. 10, 1848. His name and style were Nasr-ud-Din, Shah an Shah (King of Kings), a somewhat lofty title for so unimportant a personage. He was a Knight of the Garter.

In 1858, Persia having occupied Herat, he was brought into conflict with the Government of India, but after a few successes by British arms the King of Kings made terms and gave ample satisfaction to the British authorities. He had several successful wars with neighbouring petty States, and his always appeared to have a strong hold on the affections of his people. He visited Europe in 1873 and again in 1889, when he made much less fuss than on the occasion of his first visit. On this occasion, he visited the Queen at Balmoral. Throughout the greater portion of his reign, he has been on good terms with Great Britain. He had five sons and fifteen daughters. His second son, Mirza-ud-Din Mirza, born on March 5, 1863, succeeds him on his death.

The twenty-seventh annual report of the Manchester Fire Assurance Company, of which Messrs. Holliday, Wise and Co. are the local agents, was presented to the shareholders of the Company on 10th ult. at the Board Office in Manchester. A final dividend and a bonus were declared, making a total for the year of 15 per cent., and the following very satisfactory statistics were placed before the meeting:—Net Fire Premiums, £738,392; Net Fire Profit, £2,810; Interest on Investments, £20,000; Profit on Securities Realized, £54,433; Dividend £30,000; Added to the Funds for the year, £16,133. The Capital is £2,000,000, and the Total Fund Security, £2,400,137.

Is noticing Mr. E. H. Parker's article in *Blackwood's Magazine* the London *Daily News* refers to that gentleman as 'a medical missionary,' saying in one place 'our missionary says that waste of time and money are (generally speaking) the only really evil consequences of opium-smoking.' Had the *Daily News* critic read the article carefully, he should have learned that Mr. Parker was not a missionary, far less a medical missionary. Only a critic who had attempted to swallow the article at a gulp, and was, in consequence, suffering from indigestion, would have summarised the reference to Hongkong in the following sentence: 'Considering the rarity of smoking in busy, prosperous Hongkong, Mr. Parker thinks opium-smoking may be only the natural result of "weariness and want of something to do." ' Want of something to do! If there is such a 'weariness and want of something to do' how is it that Hongkong is so busy and prosperous? We have to go to London to learn that opium-smoking is a rarity in Hongkong!

It is stated that Koreans, disguised as priests, have been sent to Japan to murder the Koreans who have taken refuge in that country.

M. Klobukowski, French Consul-General at Yokohama, had been appointed to the same post at Okinawa, and is to be succeeded by M. Parrot, French Consul at Bombay.

The Standard Oil Company has been informed by wire that the *Charles R. Flint*, which left New York on the 18th March with 100,000 cases of kerosene oil for Shanghai, has been burnt at sea. The *Charles R. Flint* was a Nicaraguan barque of 2,415 tons, formerly the *Cairnholm* of Liverpool.

A Tokio despatch of the 1st April says:—Yoshio Toratsuma, of Ishikawa prefecture, charged with instigating Bonikawa Setaro, of Higo prefecture to assassinate Marquis Ito and Count Mutsu by throwing a bomb-shell at them, has been sentenced to nine years' penal servitude. Horiwara was at the same time sentenced to one year's imprisonment, his offence being mitigated by the fact that he confessed the intended crime to the authorities.

The Chungking correspondent of the *N. Y. Daily News* wrote on the 11th April:—Mr. Smith at Chungking—one day quicker than the ill-fated *Lenz*, the bicyclist, did the same journey, travelling by the north bank of the river. Mr. Brennan had great cold at first, and only had it hot the last three days. Here it became hot on the 7th, and by to-day the thermometer has got up to 81 in the house. Less than a week ago, when sitting over a fire in thickest winter clothes.

The *China Gazette* of the 28th April says:—We understand that within the past forty-eight hours telegrams have been received by the British naval authorities here which have upset the fixed programme that we published a fortnight ago. It is expected that within the next few days there will be a large gathering of British warships in this neighbourhood, the report being that the fleet will rendezvous somewhere near the Suddies. It is further said that the American and German fleets have also recently received highly interesting telegraphic communications from home as to their movements. There can be no doubt that the change in the British naval programme is not unconnected with the unexplained seizure by the assembly of the huge Russian fleet which at present lies Nagasaki harbour until there is no room for merchant steamers there.

A Trenton correspondent writes to the *Mercury*:—Owing to the late rains, the froth in the Peiho is stronger than ever; yet the river still remains in its unavigable state. There are no less than 22 steamers delayed, 14 outside Taku Bar, and 8 inside, waiting either to discharge or load. Surely the railway company could do something to facilitate the conveyance of cargo to Tientsin from Tongku. You have no idea of the convenience that is caused by this delay, to say nothing of the great loss to shipowners. The Taku Tug and Lighter Company are coping with the difficulty to the best of their ability, and great praise is due to them; but when we consider that each ship requires on an average three lighters, and there are now twenty-two steamers waiting, and the Lighter Company have only twenty-six lighters to do the work of sixty-six, you can well understand the cause of the delay of four or five days. Of course, this inconvenience is not always the case, but it appears a bad look-out, till late in the fall.

The Admiralty have arranged to pay in subsidies this year to the *Canada*, *P. and O.*, *White Star*, and *Canadian Pacific* Steamship Companies the sum of £48,000, being an increase of £3,137 on the amount paid last year. The vessels in respect of which this subsidy is incurred are the *Compania*, *Lucania*, *Tatania*, *Majestic*, *Himalaya*, *Australia*, *Victoria*, *Arctica*, *Empress of India*, *Empress of China*, and *Empress of Japan*. The companies also engage to hold several other ships at the disposition of the Admiralty without further subsidy. A reserve stock of breast-boarding and machine guns of the latest type, with the necessary mountings and fittings, has recently been supplied in place of muzzle-loading guns for the ready armament of these vessels in the event of their being required, and a marine cruiser reserve depot has been established on each station at which the vessels call, so that a merchant ship could be converted into a war vessel within a very short time—in fact, within a few hours, if she happened to be at one of the naval depot ports.

W. Robinson & Co. have 180 Planos for hire on Monthly Payments; also Planos retained from *Hong Kong*.

ARMED ATTACK AT WANCHAI.

MURDER OF A DISTRICT WATCHMAN—FIVE ARRESTS.

On Saturday night an armed attack was made on a shop in Wanchai, but owing to the alarm being speedily raised by the inmates the Police have been successful in capturing five men, some of whom it is certain were members of the gang. The capture was not effected, however, without a desperate struggle, a Chinese watchman being killed and a *hukong* shot through the thigh. About a quarter past ten o'clock a gang of five armed men entered an earthenware shop at 20 Cross Street, Wanchai, and having terrified the old man who was in charge, by pointing their revolvers at him and threatening to shoot him, they ransacked the lower part of the shop, and decamped with about \$55 of money. During the time the thieves were in the shop, another Chinaman was in the cockpit, but seeing the state of affairs he deemed it prudent to cover himself up with his blanket, and lay there concealed till the robbers had left the premises. Immediately on the departure of the thieves, the old man ran out into the street and raised the alarm crying "Thieves." P.C. Hoggarth (No. 70) was in Wanchai Road at the time, and hearing the cries of the old man, ran in the direction of the shop when he observed several men running towards him. He arrested one of the men, and handed him over to a district watchman, who had arrived simultaneously upon the scene. Hoggarth then went in pursuit of the other robbers. He had only run a distance of about fifty yards when he heard a revolver shot. Immediately retracing his steps he discovered the watchman and his prisoner struggling. Another shot was fired before he reached them and the watchman staggered against a shop door. The robber fired a third shot, but Constable Hoggarth did not observe the direction in which he was shooting. The man then bolted, and was darting down a lane when the Constable fired his revolver, the bullet striking him on the foot and piercing his ankle. The man entered a house in course of erection in the lane, and when he came out the Constable fired a second shot, which took effect in his other foot. He crawled into another house, where Hoggarth arrested him. Before removing his prisoner the Constable made a search for the revolver and found it lying beside the injured man. It was a 'Bulldog' pattern of foreign make. Three of the chambers were discharged; the others were loaded. A riksha was procured from Queen's Road and the robber was conveyed to No. 2 Station. A Chinese constable (No. 223) who was found lying wounded through the thigh was brought into the Station shortly afterwards, and he stated that while running to where he was shot he was fired at by some of the other robbers. The *hukong* was sent to the hospital, and lies there at present. His injuries are not very serious. Inspector Dunne telephoned to all the Police Stations, giving information of the occurrence, and took prompt measures to detect the whereabouts of the remainder of gang. Chief Inspector Macleod and Inspectors Stanton, Quincey and Kemp, with the whole of the detective staff, went down to No. 2 Station, whilst steps were taken throughout the Colony to join in the search for the other desperadoes. The injured man was interrogated by the police, and in consequence of information received from him, at daylight on Sunday morning Detective-Sergeant Mulver, accompanied by several Chinese detectives, went over to Kowloon. They succeeded in arresting two men at Hungnam and two others at Yau-mai.

Great praise is due to Constable Hoggarth for the plucky way in which he followed the murderer, knowing, as he did, that the man was armed and had intercepted already in his possession a revolver. There can be no question as to the identity of the man who fired the shot which proved fatal to the District Watchman. Constable Hoggarth had the murderer in view all the time. At the post-mortem examination held this afternoon, it was ascertained that one bullet pierced the watchman's right wrist; another entered his right breast, passed through the lung and lodged in his side; the third entered at the neck and passed in close proximity to the heart. The murderer was wearing a long-sleeved coat, and as one of the sleeves is burned it is supposed that he held the revolver concealed all the time he was firing upon his custodian. The *hukong* was also fired at from close quarters, as his trousers were burned by the powder discharged from a revolver. He professes himself unable to identify the man who fired at him. The name of the man brought down by Constable Hoggarth is Tang Fung.

PRISONERS AT THE MAGISTRACY.

To-day the four men arrested by Detective-Sergeant Mulver—*Yau-mai*, *Chun Chi*, *Leung Sing*, and *Li Yuen*—were brought before Commander Hastings at the Magistracy, charged with unlawfully entering No. 20 Cross Street, Wanchai, with offensive weapons, and assaulting Leung Tan, and stealing \$55. Inspector Stanton stated that these were the men concerned in the armed attack on Saturday night. Detective-Sergeant Mulver stated that on the 3rd instant, in consequence of certain information he received, he arrested the first and second defendants at 38 Battery Street, Yau-mai, about 6.10 a.m., and about 7.30 a.m. on the same day he arrested the third and fourth defendants at 61 Market Street, Yau-mai. Prisoners pleaded not guilty, and asked no questions. The case was remanded till Tuesday, 12th inst., at 11.30 a.m.

Old Yuen, one of the prisoners, is an old offender having served five years' penal servitude for taking part in an armed attack at West Point in 1887. The murderer has been in gaol twice for larceny, once for two months, and once for six months.

The funeral of the body of the district watchman took place this afternoon. The funeral was largely attended, amongst those present being the Hon. J. H. Stewart, Lockhart and the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai.

THE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

On Saturday play for the Golf Championship was concluded. There was a fair attendance of spectators, amongst whom were several ladies. The interest was almost entirely centred in the competition between Dr. Lawson and Captain Eccles. Captain Eccles was heavily handicapped, his fit of bad play on Friday having allowed the Doctor a lead of ten points. In the last round Capt. Eccles was leading with a score of 44 against 45 by Dr. Lawson at the ninth hole. The next two holes were gained by Doctor Lawson with two 4's against two 5's. Nos. 3, 4, and 5 were halved in 4. No. 6 was won by Captain Eccles 5 to 6. Dr. Lawson won No. 7 in 5 to 6. The position was reversed at No. 8 hole, Captain Eccles being one stroke better than his opponent, gaining the hole by 3 to 5. At the eighteenth hole Dr. Lawson secured a lead of 4, some bad play by his opponent bringing out 9, the two scores for the last nine holes being 41 and 45. The play, with the exception of that at about 4 or 5 holes, was of a very high order. The approach shots were difficult in consequence of the long grass round the greens and the smallness of the greens. The greens and course were in good playing order. Dr. Lawson secured a popular victory with 14 points less than his opponent. Scores:—

Dr. J. Lawson	1st and 2nd	84	86	85	255
James Stewart	3rd and 4th	84	86	85	255
Capt. W. V. Eccles, R.E.	5th and 6th	82	82	89	253
Mr. G. Stewart	7th and 8th	92	93	91	276
Mr. C. E. Hume	9th and 10th	92	92	100	283
Dr. Rumsey	11th and 12th	104	93	99	296
Mr. W. M. Thompson, R.E.	13th and 14th	99	98	101	298
Mr. H. L. Dalrymple	15th and 16th	104	99	94	297

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

FIELD BATTERY.

The second Spoon Competition took place on Saturday, 2nd May, at the Police Range. Twenty-one members entered, the highest scores being as under:—

Sgt. McNeill	27	33	33	33	126
James Stewart	27	33	33	33	126
Gunner Cow	27	33	33	33	126
Gunner Smith	27	33	33	33	126
Gunner Duff	27	33	33	33	126
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* Winner of Spoon.

MISSIONARY EFFORT IN MANCHURIA.

DE GRIGIS AT KIRIN.

De Grigis of Kirin, in a private letter to a friend in Hongkong, says:—I am glad to be able to tell you Mr. Hoist succeeded in getting three very important points:—

1. The property I had purchased was immediately handed over to me, title deeds all properly stamped.
2. A proclamation was issued authorizing the people to sell or rent property to foreigners in Kirin Province. (This, of course, can easily be rendered a dead letter by secret instructions, as is so often the case, but I have stamped copies of the Proclamation in my possession to produce, if needed, at any future date.)
3. The man who brought the false charges against our Man Sung was sentenced to be beaten before the Council. When one or two strokes had been inflicted however, at Sung's request the Council said he was satisfied, so the culprit received no physical pain. This pleased us very much, as it both gained our purpose and showed Sung's Christian spirit both to the Council and the local Chinese authorities.

The other point the Consul demanded was the degradation of the Prefect for his insulting conduct to foreigners. This was refused after several days' parleying, and so he referred it to the *Chang d'Affaires* at Peking to deal with. Since then we have heard nothing on the subject although two and a half months have elapsed. Matters of this kind move slowly in China. But I must say I am very well pleased with the result of Mr. Hoist's visit. We have had peace since, and don't anticipate any more persecution for a time. My own private opinion, however, is that it is bad for China for our Government to make a just demand like that for the degradation of the Prefect, and not insist on its being immediately carried out. This, however, is a matter for politicians to discuss, as we have gained our main points I do not agitate any more publicly.

You begin your letter by saying 'you seem fated to have lively experiences.' It is true. Before your letter arrived, I had another calamity of another variety. On the 24th ult. my house was burned to the ground by accident and Mr. Crawford and I have lost all our property.

The fire occurred in the night. We cannot explain it, but believe the chimney must have had a flaw in it, for the house took fire above the ceiling. There is no reason to suspect foul play. It is a Chinese house, and such accidents often occur. Fortunately I felt the smell of fire as I was undressing for bed, or possibly I have borrowed a razor and toothbrush, and am living in Chinese clothes and on Chinese food. Crawford is off to Shanghai to buy a new outfit, but I won't bother, as the future is so uncertain. It will make sitting the easier.

Rachate and Brimmed's Planos have no rival for tone, strength and appearance.

THE NEW AUSTRALIAN LINER.

THE MAILED VOYAGE.

The new E. A. Hines *Australian* (Capt. P. Thomson Holmes) arrived to-day from Glasgow. She makes the following report:—We left the Tait of the Bank, River Clyde, at 3.30 p.m. on the 14th March, and after a run of sixty-five hours, with various detentions, arrived at Cardiff. A moderate Southerly breeze was encountered from the Clyde to the Smalls, where the wind shifted to the westward and eventually blew a heavy gale. At Cardiff, 3500 tons of coal were shipped as cargo, and at 3 p.m. on the 25th March the vessel left Cardiff. The weather was calm and the sea smooth as glass. During the night the weather changed suddenly. The sea rose and became so rough and confused as to necessitate a reduction in speed. At 8.30 a.m. on the 26th March, the Smalls Islands were passed, and extremely low weather was encountered the whole way across the Bay of Biscay, a heavy sea with a strong westerly gale. Heavy seas were shipped, and several ladders and the deck fittings were washed away. The speed had to be reduced on several occasions. At 9 a.m. on the 26th March, Cape Finisterre was passed, and fair winds and fine weather, with a smooth sea, were experienced down the Portuguese coast and right through the Mediterranean Sea. Gibraltar was passed at 9 a.m. on the 28th March, and at 4.25 a.m. on the 3rd April, Port Said was reached at 5.45 p.m. on the 6th. After a short detention in the Canal, Suez was reached at 2 a.m. and left at 8.20 p.m. on the 8th. Fair weather and light winds were encountered down to Jeddah, which was passed at 10 p.m. on the 11th, strong head wind and sea to Port Said were encountered at 4.50 p.m. on the 12th. Light air and calm with intensely hot weather were met from Port Said to Singapore, which was reached at 4 p.m. on the 25th. Having coaled, Singapore was left at 11.18 a.m. on the 26th. Pedro Branca was passed at 4.45 p.m. on the 26th, and Cape Horn at 1.45 a.m. on the 27th. During the passage up the China Sea, experienced light to strong head winds and considerable sea.

THE IMPORTATION OF CATTLE TO SAIGON.

The following letter is forwarded to us by the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce:—

Colonial Secretary's Office, 2nd May, 1896.

Sir,—I am directed to inform you that the following telegram has been received to-day from Saigon:—

'Import of cattle at customs absolutely prohibited.'

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient servant,

J. H. SEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

THE TELEGRAPH TARIFFS.

The following letter has been forwarded to us by the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce:—

Hongkong Station, 2nd May, 1896.

R. O. Wilcox, Esq., Secretary, Hongkong Chamber of Commerce.

Sir,—With reference to previous correspondence, I am pleased to inform you that the question of reduction of local tariffs has been for a long time under consideration, and that a decision has been arrived at which will involve considerable reductions of rates on certain local traffic, affecting at present only the cable system South of Hongkong; and it is hoped that later the same principle may be extended to certain classes of local traffic affecting other Telegraph Administrations with whom negotiations are now proceeding.

I shall address the Chamber further when fuller details are to hand.—Yours faithfully,

J. M. BECK, For Manager in China, E. A. & C. Telegraph Co.

SHANGHAI RACES.

First Day, Monday, May 4.

We are indebted to the local manager of the Telegraph Companies for the following results:—

SUBSCRIPTION STAKES.

Victory 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

CRITERION STAKES.

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CRITERION STAKES.

Insurance.

THE EMPRESS ASSURANCE CORPORATION, LIMITED.
FIRE AND MARINE.

WE have this day been appointed
AGENTS and are prepared to accept
RISKS at Current Rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, April 28, 1896.

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(Instituted in the Reign of Queen Anne
A.D. 1714).
CAPITAL FULLY SUBSCRIBED, £450,000.
CAPITAL PAID UP, £180,000.
TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS EXCEED £2,700,000.
TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME, £250,000.

THE Underwritten, having been appointed
AGENTS of the above Society in Hong-
kong, is prepared to issue POLICIES against
FIRE on the usual terms.
HARRY WICKING,
Praya Central.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
(ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824).

CAPITAL £2,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS AND RESERVE £2,480,053
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUM £767,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of
the above Company we are prepared to
accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS
at Current Rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1894,
£11,671,018 2s. 2d.

Authorised Capital £2,000,000.00
Subscribed Capital £2,750,000.00
Paid-up Capital £2,480,000.00
Fire Fund £2,410,000.00
Revenue Fire Branch £1,548,856.18.7

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the
above Company we are prepared to
accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS
at Current Rates.
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

13 July, 1895.

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the Registered Shareholders of the
above COMPANY in the proportion of one
B Share for every Share of the A
Share for every Share of the A
Shareholder on the Register on THURSDAY,
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allotment of one B Share for every Share,
whether A or B, registered in his name.
All applications must be made on forms for
the purpose, which may be obtained at the
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING COR-
PORATION on and after the 23rd Inst., and
must be filled up and lodged with the
Bank on or before THURSDAY, the 7th
May next, together with a sum of One
Dollar for every Share applied for as a first
instalment. A Receipt will be given,
which must be forwarded to the Company
in exchange for Scrip. No further call
will be payable in respect of these Shares
without at least two months' notice.
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CLOSED on THURSDAY, the 23rd
Inst., to THURSDAY, the 7th day of May
following, both days inclusive, during which
period no Transfer of Shares can be Re-
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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 13, 1896.

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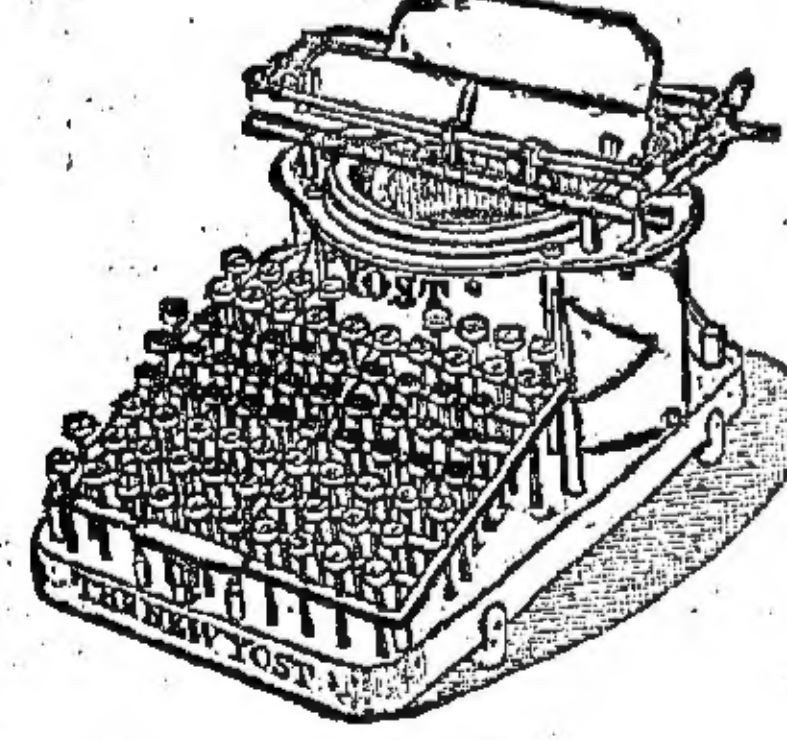
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DODWELL, CARILL & Co.
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The Co.'s Steamship
Name, Captain HALL, will be
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Ports TO-MORROW, the 5th Instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, May 4, 1896.

FOR CHEFOO AND TIENTSIN.
The Steamship
Name, Captain HALL, will be
despatched for the above
Ports TO-MORROW, the 5th Instant, at
Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 4, 1896.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
The Steamship
Name, will be despatched as
above on TUESDAY,
the 5th May.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 27, 1896.

SHELL LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.
The Co.'s Steamship
Name, Captain PAMORY, will be
despatched as above on
the 5th May.

For Freight, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 20, 1896.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.
FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND
PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

The Co.'s Steamship
Name, Captain LINES, will be de-
spatched on WEDNES-
DAY, the 6th May, at 3 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed
to the Superior Accommodation offered
by this Steamer. First-class Saloon
is situated forward of the Engine.
A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the
supply of Fresh Provisions during the
entire voyage. A duly-qualified Surgeon is
carried, and the Vessel is fitted through-
out with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, April 27, 1896.

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NAVIGATION COMPANY,
(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE
AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG,
COLOMBO, BOMBAY,
ADEN, SUER, PORT SAID,
BRINDISI, VENICE, TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to CAL-
CUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF,
RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT
AND ADRIATIC PORTS).

The Co.'s Steamship
Name, Captain A. F. F. will be de-
spatched as above on
WEDNESDAY, the 6th May.

Cargo will not be received on board after
3 p.m. prior to date of sailing.
For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to
SANDER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 30, 1896.

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND
YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship
Name, Captain DAY, will be
despatched as above on
or about WEDNESDAY, the 6th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 20, 1896.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND
NAGASAKI.
(Passing through the INLAND SEA).

The Co.'s Steamship
Name, Captain A. F. F. will be de-
spatched as above for the above
Ports on or about THURSDAY, the 7th
Inst.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELOHRS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 2, 1896.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND
SOERABAYA.

The Co.'s Steamship
Name, Captain J. YOUNG, will be
despatched as above on
MONDAY, the 11th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, May 1, 1896.

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Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND
HAMBURG.

(Calling at NAPLES for Landing
Passengers).
(Taking Cargo at through rates to
ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTER-
DAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON,
LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN.)

The Steamship
Name, Captain R. SCHÜDDE, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on THURSDAY, the 7th May, at
4 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommoda-
tion for First and Second Class Passengers
and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 23, 1896.

Sailing Vessels.
FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 100 A.T. British Ship
Queen Elizabeth,
Fulmar, Master, will load here
for the above Port, and will
have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.
Hongkong, February 18, 1896.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 3's L.I. American Barque
Gerard O. Tobey,
Capt. SEUTZLER, shortly ex-
pected, will load here for the
above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, April 13, 1896.

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STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA,
INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT,
MEDITERRANEAN PORTS,
PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATA-
VIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTIN-
ENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship PEKIN, Captain
J. F. JEFFERSON, carrying Her
Majesty's Mails, will be despatched
from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY,
the 7th May, at Noon, taking
Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

(This Steamer connects at Bombay with
the Steamship ORIENTAL, leaving that
port on the 29th MAY, for LONDON
Direct).

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement)
will be transhipped at Colombo into a
steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and
London; other Cargo for London, &c., will
be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office
until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The
contents and value of all packages are
required.

Shippers are particularly requested to
note the terms and conditions of the Com-
pany's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, April 23, 1896.

NOTICE.

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STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY,
MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DIBOUTI,
EGYPT, MARSEILLES,
MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON,
HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 13th May,
at Noon the Company's Steamship
SAGHALIEN, Commandant LE GUY,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for
MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, without
transhipment.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal ports of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon.
Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on
the 12th May. (Parcels are not to be
sent on board; they must be left at the
Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply to the
Company's Office.

C. TOURNIAIRE,
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Hongkong, April 29, 1896.

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LIMITED.
JUST LANDED AND FOR SALE
at Low Prices.
A SMALL NUMBER OF THE
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Weight 35 lbs.

Orders taken for all kinds of Cycles
manufactured by the above Company.
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Dundell Street.
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TO JAPAN, THE UNITED
STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND
SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE,
VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
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ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING
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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Coptic (via Nagasaki,
Kobe, Inland Sea,
Yokohama and
Honolulu).....

WEDNESDAY, May 13,
at noon.

SATURDAY, May 30,
at noon.

TUESDAY, June 10,
at noon.

THE Steamship COPTIC will be
despatched for SAN FRANCISCO,
via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA,
YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU,
on WEDNESDAY, the 13th May, at Noon,
connection being made at Yokohama with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the
INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at
HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to
break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all trans-
Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal
cities of the United States or Canada.
Rates and particulars of the various routes
may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval,
Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services,
to European officials in service of China
and Japan, and to Government officials and
their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-
embursing at San Francisco for China or
Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will
be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This
allowance does not apply to through fares
from China and Japan to Europe.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to
address in full; and same will be received
at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the
day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo
destined to ports beyond San Francisco,
in the United States, should be sent to the
Company's Office, addressed to the Col-
lector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, April 29, 1896.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
NOTICE.
STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,
SUER, PORT SAID,
NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG,
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK
SEA & BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
HALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL
AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND LOGGERS.

S.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for the principal places in
RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Karlsruhe..... Tuesday May 26.
Prinz Heinrich..... Tuesday June 23.
Prussen..... Tuesday July 21.
Saarbrücken..... Tuesday August 18.
Karlsruhe..... Tuesday September 16.
Prinz Heinrich..... Tuesday October 13.
Prussen..... Tuesday November 10.

ON TUESDAY, the 26th day of May,
1896, at 9 a.m., the Company's
S.S. KARLSRUHE, Captain H. WALTER,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port as above,
calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon, on SATURDAY, the 26th Instant,
Cargo and Specie will be received on
board until 5 p.m., on MONDAY, the 26th
Instant, and Parcels will be received (at
the Agency's Office) until Noon, on MONDAY,
the 26th Instant. Contents of Packages
are required. No Parcel Receipts will be
issued for less than 25 lbs. and Parcels
should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in
measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELOHRS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 2, 1896.

JAVA-CHINA LINE OF
STEAMERS.

UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE
ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COM-
PANY OF NETHERLANDS
INDIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS).
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TO HONGKONG
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S.S. Federation.....May.
S.S. Germania.....June.
TO JAPAN.
S.S. Federation.....April.
S.S. Germania.....May.
S.S. Cassius.....June.
General Agents for China & Japan:
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HONGKONG, March 24, 1896.

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